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their colonies, or "territories of concession," and urging the speedy convocation of a conference of the Postal Union to frame regulations respecting the nature of substances to be transported. It was also decided that the resolutions concerning morphine be made applicable to medicinal opium and similar narcotics. These resolutions generally follow the basis laid down at the Shanghai Conference. The tentative programme for the Conference outlined in the American Government's circular went much further. It provided, for example, for the reciprocal right of search of vessels suspected of carrying opium, and also suggested entrusting an international commission with the carrying out of any international convention that may be concluded. To both these proposals, England, France and China took exception in advance, and the British Government also definitely declined to discuss the arrangements made with China by agreement at the end of May, 1907, and modified on May 8th of this year for the progressive extinction of the opium trade between India and China. The telegrams have made no mention of either of these questions, so we may take it they have not formally come before the Conference for discussion. It is of interest to notice that twelve nations are represented at the Conference—China, France, Germany, Great Britain, Holland, Italy, Japan, Persia, Portugal, Russia, Siam and the United States; that is to say, all the Powers represented on the Shanghai Commission of February, 1909, excepting Austria. The Turkish Government was especially invited to take part, but declined. Perhaps the most important of the achievements of the Conference is the agreement to regulate and restrict the production and trade in morphine, cocaine and their derivatives. Since the anti-opium campaign was entered upon in earnest, there can be no question that the use of morphine and cocaine has enormously increased among the Chinese, though this is not shown in the Customs statistics. Mr. Knox, the American Secretary of State, in a report to President Taft last January, declared that the average American import of opium in the last ten years has been over 400,000 lbs., "more than half of which has been used in the manufacture of morphine for improper purposes," while Dr. Hamilton Wright, a Conference delegate, states, in a report to the United States Government, that 45 per cent of the criminal classes are addicted to opium or the cocaine habit. The International Convention, when it is approved by the Conference, will be submitted to the various Governments for ratification, and before that takes place full opportunity will doubtless be given to traders affected by the provisions to lay their objections before the responsible Government department. If the telegraphic news from The Hague during the last few weeks fully covers the scope of the new Convention, there does not seem to be anything in it to which strong objection can be taken.

The French mail of the 21st November was delivered in London on December 21st. The Christmas parcel mail from Home was a particularly heavy one, but it was got out in good time.

The trial of Abdool Razack Stephens on charges of forgery and falsification was continued at the Magistracy yesterday before Mr. E. A. Irving. Chinese evidence was given, and the hearing was adjourned until next week.

A neat little motor boat built to the order of Captain C. A. James has just been turned out by Messrs. W. S. Bailey & Co., Kowloon. The boat is 30 ft. long, fitted with a 15 h.p. Thornycroft motor, and attained a speed of 8½ knots.

Owing to the exigencies of shipping arrangements we are asked to state that the London Musical and Comedy Co. are regretfully compelled to restrict their stay in Hongkong to two nights, instead of four, as advertised yesterday. They will give performances in Hongkong on the 28th and 29th inst.

The engagements of the Bishop of Victoria are:—Sunday, December 24th, preach at the Military Parade Service in the morning and at St. Andrew's, Kowloon, in the evening. Christmas Day, officiate at Paul's Chinese Church at 8 a.m.; preach at the Cathedral at 11 a.m.; St. Stephen's Chinese gathering at 2.30. Tuesday, December 26th, at 12, preside over a meeting at Holy Trinity, Kowloon. Wednesday, December 27, Confirmation, etc., at Canton.

In the Supreme Court yesterday, before their Honours the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Piggott, and Mr. Justice Gompertz, Mr. Potter moved for the admission of Archibald Hillard Crew to practise as a solicitor before the Hongkong Court. Mr. Crew, said Mr. Potter, had just arrived from England, and had joined the firm of Hastings & Hastings. The applicant was admitted, the Chief Justice expressing the hope that he would have a pleasant time in Hongkong.

The new Harbour Master of Macao, Senhor Hugo de Lacerdo, came out by the English mail steamer *Devanha*. Senhor de Lacerdo is a naval officer and an hydraulic engineer of considerable repute. His appointment is regarded, therefore, as an earnest of the intention of the Government to seriously deal with the long delayed problem of harbour improvements.

Sun Yat Sen had a busy day in Hongkong on Thursday. He was met by two launches, which came alongside the steamer. They were crowded with sympathisers and friends, and he went on board one of the launches and proceeded to a Chinese cruiser which had come down from Canton. On board this he met Mr. Wu, the President of the Kwantung Republic, and other officials, and after greeting them he returned to the *Devanha* to meet a party of Japanese sympathisers. Subsequently he addressed a meeting in a Chinese club in Connaught Road, and later joined the steamer, being accompanied North by Mr. Wu, the President of the Canton Republic.

An interesting story comes from Kowloon city. A man and a woman reported to the police that the latter's house had been burglariously entered during the night and \$12 deposited by the man with the woman for safe custody was stolen, as well as gold rattan bangles and a finger ring belonging to her. Inspector Gordon visited the house and was shown the door, the lock of which was said to have been picked. Its appearance, however, aroused his suspicion, and on searching the house he found a cash box with the \$12 made up as the man had described. The woman was promptly arrested for larceny as a bailor, and will come before the Magistrate.

In the Supreme Court yesterday before His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz, sitting in summary jurisdiction, Kalia Singh sued Wong Shin On for \$43.66. Mr. Grist appeared for the plaintiff. Defendant informed His Honour that he was a ticket collector in the employ of the Canton Railway. He was receiving \$25 a month, and on that sum had to support his parents and a young cousin. He could afford to pay \$3 per month. Mr. Grist would suggest that the sum be \$5, your Honour. A mere \$3 is hardly worth collecting. His Lordship—I am afraid that the plaintiff might get him to sign a note for a bigger amount. However, as he says he can pay \$3 and you think he should pay \$5, I will make it \$4.

SUPREME COURT.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

Friday, 22nd December.

BEFORE THE FULL COURT (THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR FRANCIS PIGGOTT, AND THE PRINCIPAL JUDGES, MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ).

The Court delivered judgment in connection with the appeal by the Green Island Cement Co. against the decision of the Chief Justice in the case of Green Island Cement Co. against Cheung King.

The Chief Justice said this was an appeal from a judgment which he gave in August on a question of great importance to the profession, which arose out of a summons in Chambers. It involved two points, first, whether there was a solicitor's lien in respect of the amount in dispute, and secondly, whether the solicitors were entitled to retain the amount by reason of their having a claim to the set-off to the money of Tang King in their hands.

His Lordship dealt at great length with the cross appeal, which he was of the opinion failed. He was also of the opinion that the appeal failed in so far as the costs due to the firm of Deacon, Lockyer & Deacon were concerned.

The Principal Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) differed from the Chief Justice regarding the set-off. In his opinion the appeal should succeed, simply on the ground that the appellants had an absolute right to take any execution money which was still the property of their debtor, and that they did so.

The Chief Justice—This appeal is dismissed, but as the appellant has succeeded as to one part of the sum, on the cross appeal, we agree that the respondent should pay one-third of the costs of the appeal. After a long argument, His Honour said he would consider the figures in connection with the costs in Chambers.

LOCAL SPORT.

FIXTURES AT A GLANCE.

LEAGUE CRICKET.	
K.O.Y.L.I.	v Craigengower
Naval Yard	v Kowloon
OTHER CRICKET.	
H.K.C.C.	v Golf Club.
LEAGUE FOOTBALL.	
Naval Yard	v R.G.A.
R.E.	v H.K.F.C.
TEAMS:	
Craigengower—H. H. Taylor, R. A. Carvalho, G. A. Hancock, J. V. Braga, E. L. Braga, L. E. Lammer, W. H. Virens, L. A. Rose, J. D. Noris, R. Pestonjari and R. Ussa.	
H.K.F.C.—W. G. Giffin, A. Hamilton and McCubbin; D. Chapman, R. C. Barlow and C. Wilkie; W. Hedley, W. Wilson, R. J. Brown, J. Goldenberg and F. Benton.	

HONGKONG CRICKET LEAGUE.

22nd December, 1911.

The following table is up to date.				
Club.	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Civil Service	7	4	2	18
Kowloon	5	2	1	8
Craigengower	5	2	2	7
R.E.	5	2	2	7
H.G.A.	5	1	2	2
H.K. Police	5	2	3	6
K.O.Y.L.I.	5	1	3	4
Naval Yard	5	1	3	4
N.B.—A win = 3 points.				
A draw = 1 point.				

TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

THE REVOLUTION.

"NO REPUBLIC!"

London, December 22nd.

Reuter's correspondent at Peking wires that Yuan Shi Kai stated to an interviewer that he would never agree to a republic.

A "TIMES" ARTICLE.

London, December 22nd.

The *Times*, in an article on the Chinese revolution, says that though the effective power of the Manchus has doubtless gone for ever, the safest way for a lasting reform would be under the nominal authority of the dragon throne. The Powers at Shanghai ought to silence the talk of intervention, which might involve dangers to the peace of the world. Abstention from intervention involved abstention from lending money to either party, as no loan could be fairly made until a stable government had been re-established. Therefore the best security would be a compromise between the contending parties.

THE KING HUNTS BIG GAME.

London, December 22nd.

During the first day's shoot at Nepal, King George killed three tigers and three rhinoceros.

THE CIVIL SERVICE.

London, December 22nd.

The Government has decided to appoint a Royal Commission to enquire into the system of appointment and the methods of promotion in the Civil Service.

RUSSIA AND PERSIA.

London, December 22nd.

Reuter's correspondent at Teheran wires that there has been serious fighting at Tabriz between the Russian and Persian troops. The Governor's palace was bombarded, but the result is unknown. Conflicts have also taken place between the Russians and the Constitutionalist at Enzeli and Resht, the police headquarters at the latter place being seized by the Russians. The cause of the conflicts is unknown.

A telegram from Tabriz states that there has been serious fighting between the Persian constitutionalists and the Russians.

TURKEY AND ITALY.

London, December 22nd.

Reuter's Rome correspondent states that there was severe fighting at Derna on the 16th inst. The Turks twice attacked the Italian, who were constructing defence works, and the latter, who lost three killed and 24 wounded, had to be repeatedly reinforced before they drove off the Turks.

Reuter's correspondent at Rome states that a strong reconnaissance of the Italians attempted on Tuesday to surprise and surround an oasis beyond Ainmara, but the enemy proved stronger than expected, being over 3,000 strong. After fighting all night the enemy finally retired. The Italians sustained 86 casualties.

LORD BERESFORD AND MR. MCKENNA.

London, December 22nd.

Mr. McKenna, in a letter replying to a recent attack made upon him by Lord Charles Beresford says: "Nobody attaches importance to what Beresford says, as it is common knowledge that I refused to employ him as Admiral of the Fleet."

Mr. McKenna states that his letter is incorrectly reported and was published entirely without authority.

THE NEW GERMAN COLONIAL SECRETARY.

London, December 22nd.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin wires that it is semi-officially stated that Herr Solf, Governor of Samoa, has been appointed Secretary for the Colonies, in succession to Herr von Lundequist, who resigned last month as a protest against the German compensations paid to France.

CENSOR OF PLAYS RESIGNS.

London, December 22nd.

Mr. Redford, the censor of plays, has resigned. In an interview Mr. Redford remarked that seventeen years of reading bad plays was enough for any man. It is expected that he will be succeeded by Mr. Charles Brookfield, a dramatist whose appointment as assistant censor recently was much criticised.

CANTON.

CONSPIRACIES AGAINST THE NEW GOVERNMENT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Canton, December 20th.

HOUSE-TO-HOUSE SEARCH.

Since the affair on Saturday night the authorities have got wind of numerous societies who are opposed to the present Government and have been taking steps to have them arrested. In the course of searching for these so much ammunition and arms were found and the members numbered so many that a systematic house to house search has been begun in many parts of the city. Yesterday a party of Imperialists were surrounded in a house on the Bund near the New Theatre, where arms and a number of dragon flags were found. They made a fight for it, and were so many that they would have proved successful had not a gunboat in the river fired upon them. How many were killed is uncertain, but there may have been any number from 200. Yesterday also a quantity of dynamite carelessly stored was found under a tailor's shop in the old city, where resistance was also met with. Then today strict searching was carried out in Henan, soldiers posting themselves at each end of the street and allowing no one out or in until they had examined all the houses. Henan has always had a bad name, and it is feared that it will be the home of any plots or conspiracies against the present Government. To-day nothing has so far come of it; but the searching is to be continued all over the island. Later on in the day there was some slight trouble with a searching party at the back of Sha Kee. They evidently saw something in a house which they thought should be removed while the owner disagreed. Firing was heard on Shamen, but the matter was finished in a few moments. This is one of the great difficulties to be contended with, that the soldiers cannot be trusted to do their work honestly, and many of the guards are as bad as the prisoners. "Quis Custodiet Custodes" is going to be a serious question.

The authorities have evidently discovered something just in time for it is certain that there has been something in the wind.

December 21st.

Searching for undesirable and ammunition and bombs still goes on merrily and discoveries are being notified every day. To-day a large company of soldiers passed along Sha Kee street opposite Shamen on their way to capture a band of pirates who had been given till to-day to surrender and who had taken refuge inside the city. They looked exceedingly business-like, and what was the most interesting part was that they were followed by four executioners with their long swords on their shoulders. Whether they were there simply for "look-see," or whether the Governor thinks that it will be necessary to resort again to public executions as an example to the others is not known; but the whole procession had a marked effect upon the onlookers. More conspiracies and conspirators against the present Government are being found in this searching crusade than was ever bargained for by the authorities. In a house in the western suburbs, which is supposed to be the more select part of the city, were found yesterday two large boxes of bombs and a considerable number of modern pistols.

IMPERIALISTS FROM THE COUNTRY.

On Tuesday word was received of a number of Imperialists who were coming in from the country surreptitiously to join a band of friends in Canton. They were surprised (by a number of soldiers) on their junk's arrival, and rather than surrender they made a fight with the result that those Imperialists who were not killed or drowned were taken prisoner. This incident and numerous others of a like kind are causing a lot of anxiety at headquarters and no quarter is being given to any suspects.

CLAN FIGHTING.

Two or three days ago in the District of Shun Tack near Canton a regular pitched battle took place, which savoured very much of the old clan feuds in Scotland. Two clans named Mak and Ng have had trouble and quarrels for some time and the matter suddenly came to a head on Saturday with the result that fighting ensued and about twelve men on each side were killed.

AN ART PAGEANT.

In looking through the shops with all their reasonable array the brilliant display made by the productions of Raphael Tuck & Sons cannot escape notice. These harbingers of Christmas and New Year are seen in all their bewildering attractiveness, rendering selection at once easy and difficult—easy to the with limited means at their disposal and difficult to those able to indulge their fancy in roaming through the one with every description of refined design, accompanied by carefully selected letterpress from the Bible, and a wide range of poets and other great writers. The splendid past of this artistic era is eclipsed this year with its superb assemblage of illustrated books and toy books, conspicuous among which is the sumptuous "Father Tuck's Annual." The collection is a magnificent one, that is comprehensive and choice, and it is that is expected from the firm of Raphael Tuck & Sons.

THE BRITISH SQUADRON IN THE EAST.

In the House of Commons on the 30th ult.

Lord C. Beresford, asked the First Lord of the Admiralty whether the gravity of the situation was increasing in China; whether British interests predominated over those of any other country; and, if so, whether the Admiralty intended to strengthen the squadron in these waters.

Mr. Churchill.—Two cruisers have been ordered from Australia to join the China Squadron temporarily, and will reach China waters shortly. This step has been taken as a measure of precaution in view of possible developments. I must ask to be excused from making any general statement as to affairs in China.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 23rd, 1911.

The International Conference on the traffic in opium, which has been in session at The Hague since the 1st inst., has now reached the stage of discussing the draft of an International Convention to be submitted to the Powers for their ratification. Reuter's telegrams during the month have furnished us with information of the aspects of the trade which have engaged the attention of the Conference. To begin, the Conference accepted a British resolution that each Government should frame effective laws to control the production and distribution of raw opium, and to restrict the number of places at which the import of opium should be permitted. Secondly, the Conference adopted China's proposal that each government represented should bind itself to prohibit the export to China of all opium not marked by the Government of India, including opium from Persia and Turkey. Thirdly, the Conference adopted a resolution proposed by the United States and seconded by China limiting the manufacture, use and trade in prepared opium, and five resolutions submitted by Great Britain for the regulation and restriction of the production and trade in morphine, cocaine and their respective salts. These resolutions recommended participating Governments to punish persons illegally in possession of morphine, to restrict the traffic in such substances to medical and other legitimate purposes, to take measures to restrict the import and export of morphine and cocaine into participating countries or

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E. PABANEY.
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1911. [1467]

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED on MONDAY and TUESDAY, 25th and 26th instant, respectively. By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1911. [1463]

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1911. [1469]

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AN ASSISTANT for a Hotel who would make himself generally useful, and look after the Bars of the Hotel. Must be reliable and sober. One acquainted with foreign languages preferred.
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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1911. [1470]

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ON and from SATURDAY, December 23rd, CHEAP EXCURSION TICKETS from HONGKONG, KOWLOON and YAMATEI to CANTON and vice versa will be issued at the following Reduced Rates—
FIRST CLASS RETURN, \$6.00
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Holders of these Tickets are entitled to travel free across the Harbour by the Star Ferry, but are not permitted to break the Journey at Intermediate Stations.
By Order,
H. P. WINSLOW,
Manager,
British Section,
Canton-Kowloon Railway.

By Order,
THE ADMINISTRATION,
Imperial Chinese Section,
Canton-Kowloon Railway.
Kowloon, 21st December, 1911. [1463]

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Featherweight Competition—
SEAMAN O'NEILL v. SEAMAN BEALY
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NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.

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ARTHUR NILSSON & Co.
Stockholm, 1st of November, 1911. [1444]

NOTICE.

WE HAVE This Day Established Our selves as Import and Export Merchants Commission and Steamship Agents.

ARTHUR NILSSON & Co.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1911. [1445]

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THE extension of the Electric Light to the Peak District is expected to be completed by about the End of March, 1912.

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The Company are prepared to submit estimates for Wiring Houses on application.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1911. [1432]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

(IN LIQUIDATION).

APPLICATION has been made to the Liquidator of this Company to issue to Messrs. CAMILLA FERNANDES BASTO of Hongkong, a Duplicate Certificate of Two "B" shares Nos. 20754 to 20755 inclusive in the Company, or other certificate or certificates in lieu thereof, upon the statement that the original certificate in her name dated April 21st, 1891, has been lost or destroyed, and Notice is hereby given that if within 30 days from the date hereof no claim or representation in respect of such original certificate is made to the Liquidator he will then proceed to deal with such application for a duplicate.

A. R. LOWE,
Chartered Accountant,
Liquidator.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1911. [1404]

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AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of December, 1911, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Tai Ping Shan, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years. [1437]

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lots.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Acres, Roods, and Perches.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Perches.	Upset Price.
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THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs. PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING, the Liquidators of GEO. FENWICK & Co., Ltd., in Liquidation, to Sell by Public Auction,

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TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
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Hongkong, 25th September, 1911. [441]

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Hongkong, 1st May, 1911. [1316]

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EXPLORATION IN TIBET.

GENERAL BOWER'S WORK.

The following interesting letter appears in *The Times*:—
I have lately seen several references in the papers to the Central Asian travels of General Bower—now commanding the Abor Expedition—but none specially mentioning his remarkable Tibetan exploration in 1891-92, which was his most important piece of work in that respect; and I should like to draw your attention to being it further to notice in the columns of *The Times*.

Bower (then a captain in the 17th Bengal Cavalry), organized his expedition at Leh, the chief town of Ladak, a province of Kashmir, and crossed the Ladak-Tibet frontier by the Lanak-La Pass (about 10,000 ft. high and some 120 miles E.N.E. of Leh), accompanied by Dr. W. G. Thorold, of the Indian Medical Service, in the beginning of July, 1891. Thence he proceeded in a generally E.S.E. direction across the great unknown plateau of Central Tibet, his party enduring severe hardships in a climate where it is constantly snowing even in summer, and where a strong, freezing wind sweeps almost without cessation over the most elevated tract of country in the world (being nowhere under 15,000 ft.). Most of his transport mules and ponies died in crossing this howling wilderness. The guides deserted after a few marches from the frontier, so that no more people being met with—Bower had to find his own way through an unknown land. When he ultimately came across nomads, he and his companion were obliged to disguise themselves as Mohammedan merchants in order to obtain any supplies to replenish their nearly exhausted stock; since nothing would have induced the people (through fear of Lhasa officials) to give them anything if they had known them to be Europeans. For many days they depended chiefly on their rifles for food, antelope, yak, and kyang (wild ass of Tibet) being fortunately often met with. Near the Chagat Cho Lake, about 230 miles north-west of Lhasa, the explorer was brought to a halt for over a month by officials from that place, who ordered him back by the way he had come. But Bower absolutely refused to do this; so on he would whatever happened, and at length, seeing that unless they killed him or were prepared to hold him prisoner for an indefinite period nothing could turn him from his purpose, they chose the line of least resistance or least trouble to themselves, and granted him permission (with an escort) to continue on his way to China, but by a more northerly route. Further (as he could not move without them) they were obliged to give him transport animals and supplies.

After much more hardship owing to the increasing cold, Bower entered China proper near Batang in January, 1892, 1,200 miles as the crow flies from the Lanak-La Pass, of which 700 to 800 miles were over the hitherto unexplored "Chang," or high plateau of Central Tibet.

The facts to geography and science of this enterprise were considerable. The character of that portion of the interior of Tibet was first revealed to the world; mountain ranges and great lakes (the Harpa Cho, the Chagat Cho, the Aru Cho, the Chagat Cho, the Garing Cho, and others) were discovered and marked on the blank of our maps; complete temperature and altitude charts for the entire distance were compiled; and very valuable additions were made to our knowledge of natural history (especially ornithology) and botany.

Bower had accomplished one of the finest feats of travel and exploration ever performed; yet, when a few years ago I spoke about it to the then Surveyor-General of India, that gentleman had actually never heard of it! He seemed to doubt if I was not mistaken when I told him that Bower and Dr. Thorold had crossed unexplored Tibet, and moreover were the first white men to do so. No subsequent explorers can truly lay claim to equality with Bower. However, as he was "only" an Indian officer not known to the public at home, and did not advertise himself, his great exploration is unknown to 999 men out of a 1,000, as are the names of other Tibetan explorers—Deasy, Welby, Rawling, all soldiers who followed Bower in after years—with the exception of Sven Hedin, whom every one knows about, probably because we pay more attention to the deeds of foreigners than to those of our own countrymen of the non-advertising kind.

November 24. V.M.S.

JAPAN'S TRADE WITH INDIA.

According to the *Hochi*, a boycott has been started by Indian merchants against Italian goods, in connection with the war between Italy and Turkey. This fact, the paper points out, should be taken advantage of by Japanese merchants to replace Italian goods by Japanese articles. The value of Italian imports to India amounted to £5,000,000 annually. Among the chief articles were raw silk, sulphur, glassware, cotton cloth, bricks, shoes, knitted goods, etc. All these goods Japan is able to supply. The paper further states that during the past decade the trade between India and Japan shows considerable progress, the exports from this country and the imports showing a twofold increase. The following are the figures:—

	Exports.	Imports.
Yen.	Yen.	Yen.
1901	9,657,000	42,779,000
1910	18,712,000	106,361,000
1911 (up to Sept. 30)	13,674,000	92,675,000

In the import trade India occupies the foremost rank, and is followed by Great Britain. In the export trade India occupies the seventh place, the United States occupying first place, being followed by China, France, England, Hongkong and Manchuria. The following table shows the value of principal imports to and exports from Japan last year, and during the nine months ending September 30th this year:—

	Last year.	This year.
Yen.	Yen.	Yen.
Rice	1,707,000	6,765,000
Dried Indigo	112,000	27,000
Raw Silk	101,218,000	82,303,000
Hemp	497,000	537,000
Oil Cake	329,000	812,000

	Imports.	Exports.
Yen.	Yen.	Yen.
Habutae	4,108,000	3,701,000
Knitted Goods	43,000	2,688,000
Matches	1,111,000	1,012,000
Towels	349,000	192,000
Porcelain	146,000	167,000
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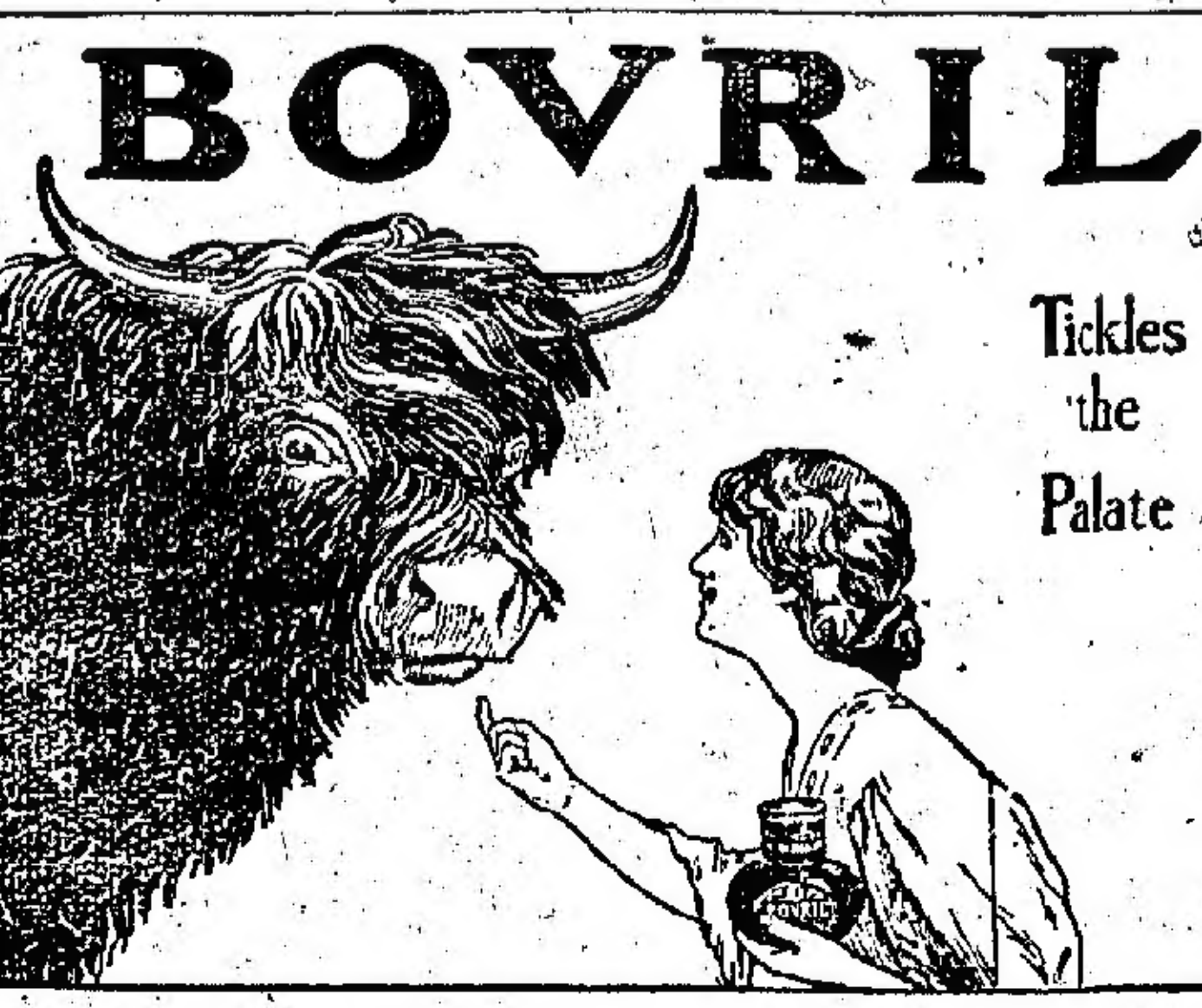
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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 30th, 1911.

The public protest made by three of the leading firms of Architects in the Colony against the Bill to amend the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, recently introduced in the Legislative Council, will call to the minds of many readers the fact that this is not the first occasion on which the Government—or rather the Public Works Department—and the architects have come into serious conflict on questions of public policy, and the general public naturally wonders why there should be this regrettable antagonism. On the present occasion the architects have complained that a Bill was being rushed through Council seriously affecting them, and they had been given no opportunity of considering the Bill and of making the representations they deemed advisable. H.E. THE GOVERNOR on Thursday last made peace with the architects and property owners by dropping the contentious clauses. At the previous meeting of Council the Hon. Mr. Pollock trenchantly criticised some of the provisions of the Bill, especially those which confer on the Building Authority what he described as "most extreme arbitrary powers." Though, as the DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS correctly pointed out, these powers were subject to the control of the Governor-in-Council, it is surely better for all concerned that public rights should be properly safeguarded by legislation. When the Bill was in committee the DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS said that he

could not imagine that the Building Authority would be foolish enough to exercise his powers so wrongly as to make an appeal to the Governor-in-Council necessary. Memories are proverbially short, and it was presumably forgotten that there is at least one instance on record. On September 24th, 1908, the following resolution was moved in the Legislative Council by the Hon. Mr. MURRAY STEWART, seconded by the Hon. Mr. H. A. W. SLADE, and supported by all the unofficial members, viz.:—"That the members of this Council regret the recent action of the Building Authority in instituting, on a large scale, criminal proceedings against property owners for failure to comply with the requirements of the law under circumstances which, in the majority of cases, rendered compliance impracticable." The mover of the resolution said in the course of his speech: "In the debate on the Third Reading I had the temerity to express the hope that the powers entrusted to the Building Authority would be used with discretion. I understood your Excellency to assure this Council, and through this Council the Community, that it was the Government's desire to avoid unnecessary friction in carrying out the Act, and, Sir, the fact that on this matter being represented to you, most of those summonses were withdrawn, shows that you agreed with the general sense of the community in thinking that they were unwisely issued." Mr. SLADE said: "Under the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance as amended, very large powers were given to the Building Authority under which he could either strictly enforce the terms of the Ordinance or, in the exercise of his discretion, grant certain modifications. This is the first instance which has come prominently before the public in which this discretion might very well have been wisely exercised, and it is disappointing to find that the Building Authority has not seen fit to use that power given to him. Moreover, it does not inspire much confidence in the way in which we look for the Ordinance to be interpreted in future." We quote this as one instance in which an appeal to the Governor-in-Council has been necessary, and perhaps it was the recollection of this, among other instances of the wrong exercise of discretionary powers which excited, the strenuous opposition to provisions in the new Bill adding to the arbitrary powers already conferred upon the Building Authority. While we do not for one moment believe that the Building Authority would be animated in the exercise of his discretionary powers by any other motive than a strict sense of public duty, it is obviously desirable that upon questions such as those raised in the course of the debate on the Bill the powers of the Building Authority ought to be defined in the clearest possible terms.

The English mail of the 25th November was delivered in London on the 23rd inst.

Mr. Findlay Smith was among the passengers from Europe by the *Buclow* yesterday.

The *Cleveland*, with the party of American tourists on board, leaves to-day for Shanghai.

The bazaar to be held in aid of the Hongkong University is to take place on the 4th March at the University.

Two Chinese were yesterday fined \$45 and \$5 respectively for having opium in their possession on board the s.s. *Chenau*.

Chev. Volpicelli, Consul-General for Italy, and Mrs. Volpicelli returned to the Colony yesterday by the German mail steamer *Buclow*.

According to a Yokohama paper, there are now 26 Japanese warships in Chinese waters, their total displacement being 34,923 tons.

Fines of \$10 or 14 days and \$8 or ten days were inflicted on two Chinese women who were charged with obstructing the traffic with trucks, in Cleverly Street.

Mr. Claud Severn will probably be leaving for Hongkong, to take up the appointment of Colonial Secretary, by the P. and O. steamer *Assaye* sailing from Singapore on January 12th.

The Eastern Extension Telegraph Co. make an important announcement in our advertisement columns with reference to deferred telegrams to Great Britain at half the ordinary rates.

At the Magistracy yesterday Mr. Irving had before him a man charged with breaking and entering a house at 205, Queen's Road East, and stealing a quantity of clothing and other articles, valued at \$13.80. The offender was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

The annual Children's Sports held under the auspices of the Kowloon Cricket Club take place on Monday, January 1st, at King's Park. H. E. THE GOVERNOR has kindly consented to distribute the prizes on the occasion, and the Band of H. M. S. *Minstrel* will be in attendance. The Committee hope for a large attendance of children as usual.

Dr. G. A. Finlayson, as the official delegate of the Government of the Straits Settlements, will attend the congress of the Far Eastern Association of Tropical Medicine in Hongkong next month. He will submit a paper on "Malaria as a Factor in the Aetiology of Biliary Calculi." Dr. H. Fraser, who is representing the F. M. S. Government, lectures on Berl-berl.

The pirates on the West River are becoming more daring than ever; for a few days ago a shipload of them held up a Customs launch, and went on board. They were met by the officer in charge, who innocently asked them if they wished to trade. The launch had a gun in her bows and her crew were armed with rifles. The pirates, noticing this, immediately became very friendly and putting aside all thoughts of plunder proffered the officer a box of cigars.

For some months now the tramway track on that section of Des Voeux Road lying between Ice House Road and Pedder Street has been "up." For several weeks it was impossible for rickshaws to cross the road between those two points and it is only possible for them to do so now at the risk of the fares being jolted out upon the roadway. The public are naturally asking how much longer the public authorities are going to allow the tramway track to remain in its present condition.

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The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen—You are invited here to-day for the purpose of confirming the special resolutions passed at the last meeting held a fortnight ago. These resolutions have just been read to you by the Secretary. I propose that these resolutions passed at the extraordinary general meeting be confirmed.

Mr. BLAKE seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business, gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance.

KOWLOON DOCK DANCE.

The annual dance given by the staff of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company took place last night at Kowloon and proved most enjoyable. The company was large, the conditions were all that could be desired, and the arrangements were most complete.

As usual the dance was held in the large moulding loft, which had been transformed for the occasion into a brilliant ball-room. No little energy was required to carry this through, but the result was one on which the hard-working committee deserved hearty congratulations. On this occasion the flags which circumscribed the room were about, their places being taken by curtains which looked trim and neat and at the same time provided a free ventilation, keeping the room delightfully cool. Streamers of overgreens, with various coloured electric bulbs, ran across the roof, but the most striking effect was the background of greenery facing the entrance. This was simple yet pretty, and the vari-coloured lights which peeped from its midst added to the charming appearance of the room. The Dock shield with its well-known initials was outlined on one side of the hall, while opposite to it were the figures "1865-1911," which indicated the age of this long-established institution. The band-stand had a beautiful enclosure at the top of the room, and the recreation room behind was utilized as a supper room. The tables were artistically arranged, and a number of special lights were introduced. The reception and retiring rooms were adequately furnished. The bar was in the usual place, and card tables were provided for those not inclined to participate in the more active pleasures of the evening.

With their usual hospitality, the company provided launches for the conveyance of guests to and from the Dock. On entering the guests were cordially received by their hosts, and it needed little to make everyone feel at home in such a sociable company. Dancing commenced about nine o'clock to excellent music supplied by the band of the K.O.Y.L.L. regiment, and as the floor was in good condition the dancers entered into the programme with zest. Some twenty dances were set down, embracing a few Scottish favourites, and as Messrs. W. Stewart and W. Brown, the M.C.s, had a good conception of their duties, everything went as merrily as it ought to do.

Before midnight the company adjourned to the supper room, where an excellent repast was served. Mr. E. M. Dyer, the chief manager, presided, and proposed the toast of "The King," afterwards submitting "Our Guests," to which Mr. J. Lambert replied and afterwards proposed the toast of "The Staff of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company," which was appropriately acknowledged.

Dancing was resumed and kept up with great vigour until after two o'clock. The committee responsible for the arrangements were: Messrs. W. Stewart (convenor), W. Johnston (secretary), W. Brown (treasurer), D. Cooper, J. Coleman, H. J. Brown, W. Davison, S. Gray and W. Hadley.

TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE REVOLUTION.

THRONE TO ABIDE BY DECISION OF CONFERENCE.

LONDON, December 29th.

Reuter's Peking correspondent reports that the Dowager-Empress, Yuan Shi Kai, and the Manchou Princes have discussed the proposals of the Shanghai Conference. The Throne has agreed to accept a scheme for a further conference of a wider representative character, and has instructed the Cabinet to draw up regulations regarding its inauguration.

The Throne is willing to agree to any form of government on which the Conference decides.

THE PEACE OF EUROPE.

LONDON, December 29th.

Reuter's correspondent at Vienna states that Count von Aehrenthal, addressing the committee of the Hungarian Delegation, said that to enable Austria-Hungary to safeguard her interests and to support the allies for general peace, an increase in the effective army by 30,000 men was required. He urged the Parliaments to pass the necessary Bills promptly, and thus promote the eminently pacific objects of Austro-Hungarian policy.

The Minister for War followed, strongly supporting the suggestions of Count von Aehrenthal.

Count von Aehrenthal added that he hoped the endeavours of the Powers to secure the Turco-Italian peace would be eventually successful. It was desirable that such a peace should maintain the force of authority in Turkey intact, and thus constitute a fresh guarantee of the peaceable relations between Turkey and the Balkan States.

LATER.

Reuter's correspondent at Vienna wires that the committee has adopted the provisional budget and has passed a vote of confidence in Count von Aehrenthal.

SPAIN AND MOROCCO.

LONDON, December 29th.

Reuter's correspondent at Madrid reports that the fighting round Melilla was very heavy, the Rifians being decimated. The Spanish General Ros was wounded.

The operations continue. A large Spanish force assumed the offensive on the 27th inst., and drove the Rifians along the Kert River, punishing them severely.

LATER.

The Spaniards, in the fighting which took place on Thursday, lost two men killed and 70 wounded. It is asserted in Rome that the Turks lost five hundred men in the fighting at Benghazi on the 25th inst., including some of their leaders.

FRICTION BETWEEN FRANCE AND SPAIN.

LONDON, December 29th.

Much bad blood is being caused between France and Spain by the wholesale accusations, in which General Lague, the Minister for War, participated, that the French were stirring up strife by supplying the Rifians with munitions. The Premier's organ condemns these charges, but says they augur badly for the Franco-Spanish negotiations.

RUSSIA AND PERSIA.

LONDON, December 29th.

Reuter's correspondent at St. Petersburg states that the *Novoye Vremya* forebadow, a provisional administration at Tabriz with a Russian governor, chief of police, financial control, and exclusively Russian tribunals.

BRITISH CONSUL SAFE.

LATER.

Reuter's correspondent at Teheran states that Mr. Smart, the British Consul, has been taken to Kazerum. The Foreign Minister has expressed the regret of his Government to the British Minister and has promised that the assailants will meet with exemplary punishment. The Persian Government is most apprehensive that a British punitive expedition will be sent.

GERMAN PAUPERS POISONED.

LONDON, December 29th.

Berlin telegrams report that over 100 cases of poisoning among paupers in the Municipal shelter have taken place. Fifty deaths have occurred.

Fresh cases are constantly occurring. A post-mortem examination showed that the cause of death was due to bacterial poisoning, but it is very uncertain how it was produced.

THE LANCASHIRE COTTON TRADE DISPUTE.

LONDON, December 29th.

The cotton war threatens to last longer than has been anticipated.

About 160,000 weavers have been locked out, and 150,000 spinners have been placed on half-time.

Fifteen towns are affected. Neither side shows any disposition to come to terms or accept intervention.

The three non-unionists, including two women, whose refusal to join the unions is the cause of the trouble, remain obdurate.

The situation is complicated by the decision of the operatives to press the recent demand for 5 per cent. increase in wages.

MR. HORATIO BOTTOMLEY'S AFFAIRS.

LONDON, December 29th.

A meeting of creditors of Mr. Horatio Bottomley, M.P., who on the 7th inst. applied for a receiving order, was held yesterday. It was stated that his estimated indebtedness amounted to £170,000 and his assets to £47,000.

The Official Receiver was of the opinion that the debts were greater, as proofs had been lodged amounting to £213,000. He thought that the assets must be regarded as of very doubtful realisable value.

A CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL TRAGEDY.

LONDON, December 29th.

Five children have died from burns caused by a fire at a Christmas entertainment at the Picture Palace, Chesterfield.

RUSSIA PROHIBITS THE SALVATION ARMY.

LONDON, December 29th.

A St. Petersburg telegram states that the Council of Ministers has prohibited the Salvation Army from working in Russia.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, December 29th.

Sir Francis Alexander Campbell, who has been Assistant Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs since 1902, is dead.

[FROM THE MANILA CABLENEWS.]

PRESIDENT TAFT AGAIN ASKS FOR SHIPPING SUBSIDIES.

WASHINGTON, December 28th.

President Taft is preparing a message to Congress on the subject of the United States merchant marine. He will again submit the ship subsidy bill passed by the Senate last summer by the vote of Vice-President Sherman as presiding officer of the Senate.

The recommendations of the President are about the same as the provisions of the Gallinger Bill and include a subsidy for lines running to Honolulu, Samoa, China, and Australia and the Philippine Islands. The message embodying the plan will be submitted to Congress after the Christmas holidays.

THE LONDON MUSICAL AND COMEDY CO.

Mr. Ronald Crooke's London Musical and Comedy Co. made its first appearance before a Hongkong audience at the Theatre last night, and gave an excellent entertainment worthy of a much larger audience. The Company though small is a talented one, superior to most companies of the kind which have toured the East in recent years, and the programme presented was refined and enjoyable.

The vocal numbers, songs as well as the choruses, were very pleasingly rendered. Miss Gladys Copping, the leading lady vocalist, sang an encore to each. Miss Gwendoline Borden and Miss Nellie Moore also sang well. Miss Borden's efforts included impersonations of Victoria Monk and Harry Lander. Another very enjoyable musical item was Mr. Percival Mackenzie's performances on his piano-fiddle. The chorus work of the Company was also well done, "Under the Green Bough" being especially effective. The audience greatly enjoyed the humorous features of the programme, especially the efforts of Mr. Charles Armstrong and the combined effort of the Company in "portraying different styles of conveyances," and also the concluding item of the programme which was a burlesque of Faust and others. The Company give their second performance to-night and are proceeding to Manila where they are to remain a fortnight.

PIRACY AT SA MUN.

News has come to hand of a case of piracy which took place at Sa Mun near Mira Bay. It appears that a big junk, trading in fish, was running from Pinghai to Hongkong, when she was held up by two junks, each containing about thirty men. The pirates took away the best part of the first class fish on the junk and shot the master, who showed fight.

THE NEW GOVERNOR.

Mr. Chan, the new Governor in place of Mr. Wu, held a meeting yesterday in the Admiralty of all the commanders of the various regiments around Canton. The idea of the meeting was to have a consultation about the maintaining of order in the City and also of discipline in the ranks. The policing of the town and suburbs and the clothing and arming of the men were also matters under discussion. This is the first time a large meeting of this kind has been held and it augurs good for the possibility of unity among the different sections of the army. It is good to see matters being gone about in a businesslike manner, and it will give the people and outsiders confidence in the ruling authorities to find them going about matters in this way.

ADMISSION TO THE YAMEN.

From a European point of view a journey to see the new Government officials is a very different thing to what it used to be to meet the Viceroy. In the old days when you got to the Yamen you were looked at with a great amount of suspicion and simply couldn't get along if you were not able to speak Chinese. Also there were many palms to be oiled before you got to the person you wanted to see, and in this palm-oil was not forthcoming there was very little chance of your business being got through. You were put off and put off in those days and often kept waiting a ridiculously long time only to find it was all no use. At present I venture to say it is easier to interview the present Governor and his assistants in Canton than it is to interview a Minister in a similar position in any European country, and the courtesy shown is not excelled anywhere. You are met at the gate by an officer who speaks excellent English, and on presenting your card and stating the nature of your business you are forthwith ushered into the presence of the official you wish to see. English is spoken everywhere and a patient ear is given to complaints, while any claims which are at all reasonable are given without argument. This is making a good impression among the foreigners here, and if the authorities only keep it up, it will give them a good name all over and bring them the sympathy of the outsider who wishes to see China improve.

SHAMEN.

Last night about half-past nine the Klaxon Alarms were sounded for practice, and in less than five minutes the whole island was a seething mass of soldiers and sailors. The Defence Corps, together with the soldiers of the K.O.Y.L.L., and the sailors were posted at different positions round the island, and every post was occupied in a very few moments. The whole turn-out was efficiency personified, and in case of any trouble Shamien is very well guarded. Captain Warden and Lieutenant Jervois, who succeed Captain Snep in Command, are working very hard in their arrangements for defence.

PIRACY.

News comes of the piracy of a steamer called the *Soo Yap* flying the British flag and plying between Yeung Kong and Canton. She was surprised on the Kong-moon River about noon on Christmas Day by a large gang of pirates who scooped over \$20,000 worth of booty of one kind and another.

MACAO.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CHRISTMAS.

Only in two Churches—the Cathedral and St. Lazarus—was the celebration of Christmas masses permitted this year, and it is a distinct public grievance that the people were not allowed to worship in their own parish Churches, as heretofore.

THE DYING YEAR.

Not much history has been made in Macao during the year 1911, and, as usual, there is much to grumble about. According to the reports published in the *Boldine*, the dredging operations have given better access to the harbour, but I notice that the *Kwan gheon wan* steamers, which draw about 14 ft. of water, still have to wait for the tide. I presume that when the dredging is completed these delays will be obviated. So far as business is concerned, the year 1911 has brought no improvement, though the increase in the population, due to the political disturbances in China, had led to considerable increase in the Government's revenue from the gambling monopolies. The fantan monopoly has been let for \$603,000 per annum, and recently let for \$372,000 from December 1912. The end of the year still finds the Colony suffering from a lack of educational facilities for girls. When the Convents were closed, it was assumed that the Government would take prompt steps to secure a continuance of the excellent educational work the Sisters had long been doing in the Colony. It is true that two schools for girls exist, but the standard is far below that which was maintained at the Convents, and do little more than serve the purpose of keeping the children out of mischief. Parents who can afford to do so are obliged to send their girls away from the Colony to be educated, and those parents whose means will not permit the closing of reason to be constantly deploring the closing of the Convent schools. Within the past few days St. Clara's Convent has been converted into a barracks, for the accommodation of the troops which are being sent to reinforce the garrison.

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J. M. BECK,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1911. [1486]

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CHALLENGE SHIELD.

ENTRIES for the above Competition will be received by the Undersigned up to MONDAY, 8th January, 1912. Entrances for £5 each team, should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, J. C. ROBERTS, Care of HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK. A Meeting will be held the same Evening at 5.30 in the Y.M.C.A. Rooms, Alexandra Buildings, to arrange dates, etc. Each team entered is invited to send a representative to the Meeting.

A. HAMILTON,

Hon. Secretary,

Care of Education Dept.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1911. [1497]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"BUELOW" having arrived. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of special, treasure and valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the "Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 4th Jan. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 4th Jan., at 9.30 A.M. All Claims must reach us before the 10th Jan., or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

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Hongkong, 28th December, 1911. [5]

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

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G. R.

STAMP OFFICE NOTIFICATION.

THE SPECIAL STAMPS for BILLS of EXCHANGE are now on Sale on requisition at the Stamp Office. The 5-cent Stamp will continue to be on Sale without requisition at the General Post Office as well as at the Stamp Office.

A. M. THOMSON,

Treasurer, etc.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1911. [1481]

NOTICE.

ALL VESSELS are warned that in passing into the MONG KOK TAI TYPHOON Shelter now in course of construction only the Entrances at YAMATI and TAI KOK TAI are to be used, as the rubble mound is near the Surface and forms a Danger to Navigation.

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Hongkong, 29th December, 1911. [1482]

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THE Dates of the ANNUAL RACE

MEETING originally fixed for the

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and FRIDAY, 23rd February, 1912, thereby

coinciding with this usual Holidays following

the Chinese New Year.

The Entries will close one week later than

the date already fixed, viz., SATURDAY, the

20th January, 1912.

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By Order,

T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1911. [1475]

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ORE-MINING BY WIRELESS.
Sounding the earth for valuable deposits
by means of radio-telegraphy is the idea of
Dr. H. Löwy, of Göttingen, who, with Dr.
G. Leibniz, has been experimenting in the
alkali mines of the vicinity and the lead-ore
mines of Eastern Silesia. Dry ground—as is
usually found at a depth of 100 yards or more
—is as poor a conductor as the atmosphere,
and it does not absorb much of the energy
of electric waves, unless metallic ores are
present. Excavation may be made either
by reflection or by absorption. In the first
method, one antenna is set in the earth at a
fixed angle and another is placed some dis-
tance away at a variable inclination to the
vertical, and as directed waves are sent out
from this second antenna while it is being
shifted up and down, the intensity of the
waves received at the other antenna is deter-
mined. If there should be a reflecting layer
of minerals in the ground between the two
points, a second maximum of wave intensity
—the first coming through the air—will in-
dicate the layer's presence and location. By
the absorption method, holes are bored down-
ward 100 yards or more, and waves are sent
out from a transmitter in one to receivers in
the others. All waves were cut off by domite
containing 12 per cent. of lead ore, suggesting
that corner holes in a square of 3 miles side
would give effective test.

THE DIMINISHED MOON'S COLOURS.
The light of the eclipsed moon is probably
modified by the earth's atmosphere, and
French astronomers have been trying to ex-
plain the varying effects. They suggest that
water vapour might absorb the blue and
violet rays of sunlight, refracting the familiar
red of the darkened moon. The complete dis-
appearance of the moon may be due to
opacity of our atmosphere from much volu-
canic dust; and blue may be light passing
through our dry upper air, where ozone would
tend to cut out the red.

PAINTING WOOD INSIDE.
"The empty-cell process" of wood pre-
serving is simply interior painting of cell
walls. The cells are filled with oil, which
is partially withdrawn, leaving a thin in-
ternal coating of oil.

DIRT OF THE STREET.
That street dust is far less full of tuber-
culosis germs than is commonly believed is
the conclusion of Seymour H. Storer, of the
Boston Association for the Control of Tuber-
culosis. There are tubercle bacilli enough to
form a real danger, however, and, while
they may be killed in 20 minutes when
exposed to the sun's rays, they are fostered
in shaded and filthy places. The risks of the
street are indicated by the fact that one-
third of the 5,000 street cleaners of New
York are infected with tuberculosis, the
number being greater among workers in the
narrow and dirty streets of the East Side.
Even sterile dust may promote tuberculosis,
as it is a direct irritant, lacerating the air
passages, and thus making them less able
to resist the planting and growth of the
germs when they arrive. The great danger
from spitting on the sidewalks—which
should be everywhere suppressed—lies in the
fact that sputum may be so easily carried
into our homes on shoes and skirts. Smoke
in the air tends to disperse by clogging the
air-passages, and since the anti-smoke
crusade began in 1895, London, Liverpool
and Manchester have reported a decrease of
tuberculosis as well as bronchitis and
pneumonia. Perhaps the most efficient dis-
tributor of disease is the common housefly,
whose breeding places—rubbish and garbage
—should be quickly removed from the
streets.

COOKING IN PAPER.
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germs, the new paper-bag cookery, now
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The singular Egyptian inkstand now in a
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A COMMERCIAL WATER SOFTENER.
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number of different grass plots were cata-
logued, and were then grouped as grasses,
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CHAPTER II.

AT THE OVAL.

It was, the last of the series of test
matches between England and Australia.
Each side had won two; and there was tre-
mendous excitement as to who would land
the rubber.

The Oval was crisscrossed with people. The
Members' Enclosure presented a sea of
faces; the small stand was packed; and
round the famous oval the crowd were
standing and sitting seven or eight deep.
Every roign of vantage was occupied. The
windows of the houses surrounding the
ground were blacked with faces; even the
trams seemed to slow down to give outside
passengers a chance of getting a glimpse of
the extraordinary scene.

And it was a remarkable scene in every
way. Youth, middle age and old age
mingled together in one harmonious throng.
The greybeards talked of the giants of the
past, comparing them with those of the
present. A famous cricketer is not soon
forgotten; his name is on many tongues at
each big match. There were numerous
ladies present, but they were out of all pro-
portion to the men. Schoolboys, the bol-
dness drawing to a close, were there, making
the most of their freedom; pockets bulging
with packets of biscuits and sandwiches;
hundreds of small paper bags in which were
frugal luncheons, quite sufficient for the
enthusiasts who were to spend seven hours or
more on a few square inches of ground.
The sea of faces showed how eager the
thousands were for the match to begin. As
the clock in the Pavilion pointed ten
minutes to eleven, there was a flutter of
excitement, a movement which shot round
the immense circle like electricity, each
person in turn being affected by it.

"Who goes in?"
"England."
"No, Australia."
"They haven't tossed as yet."

"Suppose Abel will have his usual luck
and win."

For once in a way the Selection Com-
mittee were acknowledged to have picked
a perfect representative side for England.
All the men were in form; if there was a
weak spot it was the want of another fast
bowler. The hopes of the home partisans
were high; the last test match had showed
that the men of the old country were a
match for those of the new, and this team
was even better.

The Australians were anxious, silent, not
in the least excited, confident, and dead set
on making every ball tell.

It was a glorious day. The clouds of the
dull summer seemed to have finally rolled
away, and autumn came in cheerily, smiling,
with a sunny warm face. As the morn-
ing wore on the blaze became hotter, the
rays shone down on the backs and necks on
the one side, full in the faces on the other;
the crowd under cover looked pityingly at
the crowd exposed.

There was a strange buzzing sound, the
murmur of thousands of voices in a vast
open space; every movement in the Pavilion
was watched; a figure in flannels claimed
immediate and breathless attention.

Eleven o'clock.

The clime echoed over the ground, and
a minute or two later England came out
into the field, led by the captain.

"He's won the toss again, lucky beggar!"

This remark applied to Sam Abel, who had
been successful in the spin of the coin, and
had, as a matter of course, elected to go in
on a good wicket.

Geoff was standing just outside the room
as Sam Abel went out to bat with his com-
panion.

A roar of applause greeted the English
team; this was followed by a mighty shout
as the two batsmen appeared. The Aus-
tralians were popular—Sam Abel especially.
It was generally conceded he was the best
general that had ever captained an Aus-
tralian Eleven, and that was a tall order.

Geoff waited half an hour, watching every
stroke, then as he saw both men were well
set, he turned to look at the crowd. The
sea of faces did not surprise him; he was
accustomed to huge gatherings at home and
elsewhere. These cricket crowds always
interested him; he knew how he had felt
when, as a lad, he had watched the best
players of the day with feverish eagerness.
Now he was one of them, and much was
expected of him in this match. He had
played better during the second half of
the tour. It was his own fault, mainly, that
he had been off colour at first. There had
been much fitting and hospitality, and many
invitations, some of which had been refused;
others that extended over three or four
days.

Geoff had had his share, and as he looked
round he sought for faces he knew, men
who had treated him well, and whom it
would be a pleasure to meet again. There
were several in the Pavilion seats, and many
friendly nods were given him.

Geoff was one of the popular members of
the team, as brilliant but uncertain crick-
eters often are; when they "come off" their
abilities are exalted; when they fail excuses
are made for them. He was not tall, but
had an athletic frame, a good wholesome
honest face, bronzed-coloured curly hair and
a bright smile.

The captain and his partner made a
stand. When the luncheon hour arrived
there was only one wicket down for a
hundred and thirty, and Abel was still
batting, having made seventy-five. The
applause was deafening as he entered the
enclosure through a narrow lane of admirers
who crowded on to the ground.

Geoff was the first to shake him by the
hand.

"A splendid start! Sam, you've played
grand cricket!"

"I hope the luncheon spell won't break
my luck," replied Sam, smiling.

Geoff had a hearty meal; he was no
believer in the banting system. He always
did himself well. After that he strolled
about the ground with one of his chums.
There were hundreds of people walking on
the bright green turf.

A girl of nineteen or twenty, accom-
panied by her brother, looked hard at Geoff
as he passed.

"Smart chap that, Sis; it's Geoff Lovett."

"You know them all, Tom."

"Most of 'em; when a fellow piles up
over a hundred before your eyes it tends to
impress him on your memory, also to re-
mind you that your own doings with the
bat are exceedingly small-beans after that."

"You saw him make a big score?" she
asked.

"Yes, at Lords. Good-looking chap,
isn't he?"

"Yes," said Mab Seymour.

Tom Seymour, a youth of seventeen,
looked quickly at his sister.

"By Jove, Mab, I believe you're hit!" he
exclaimed.

"Hit? Nonsense! What do you mean?"

"You're blushing."

"No, I am not."

"Is he?" said Mab, glancing in Geoff's
direction again, and seeing his eyes intently
fixed upon her.

"By Jove, he's hit too," said the irrepre-
sible Tom.

"Really you are too ridiculous!"

"Twas on the Oval, I mind me full
well."

That Mab in love with a cricketer fell,
rhymed Tom.

"Be quiet, you tensor!"

"Twas at the Oval, I mind me full well."

That the cricketer also in love with Mab
fell.

Not quite so good as the other, but it
will serve," said Tom, laughing.

Tom took his sister by the arm, swung
her round, and they were almost face to face
with Geoff and his companion.

"Your horrid boy!" said Mab, her face
hot and flushed. Geoff saw the move, and,
being almost a boy himself, was amused.

He smiled at Tom, including Mab in it.

"There!" exclaimed Tom. "I knew it.
Wasn't his smile heavenly?"

"I did not notice, and I think you are
very rude," said Mab.

"Rot!" blurted out Tom. "Just as if
you're not blessing me for bringing you face
to face!"

"Your language is awful, Tom."

"So I've been told, but it's impressive.
Don't you think 'Rot,' when pronounced
with emphasis, is impressive?"

"No!" snapped Mab.

"Girls always lose their tempers,"
growled Tom. "There's the bell; let's
make tracks; lucky we have seats, isn't it?"

"Yes, it was very kind of Mrs. Kirkton
to give them to me."

"Not a bit of it," said Tom. "Whatever
would she do without you?"

Mrs. Kirkton was a rich widow, and Mab
Seymour was her companion.

"But she is kind to me, Tom."

"Never said she wasn't; she hates the
sight of me."

"No, she does not, but she hastily re-
moves her eyes when you call."

"I hate lapdogs," grunted Tom.

They took their seats, play was resumed,
and before he retired Sam Abel scored a
hundred and two.

"Geoff Lovett's in next," said Tom.

"No, he isn't. What a beastly shame!"

The new comer added ten to the score and
was clean bowled.

"Bad luck!" said Tom. "Here he
comes!"

Geoff came down the Pavilion steps at a
run, his bat under his arm, buttoning a
glove. A tremendous cheer greeted him;
his recent exploits were fresh in the minds
of all.

Mab felt a strange thrill of satisfaction as
she heard the clapping; she knew she had a
personal interest in him—in his play.

"He's popular, isn't he?" said Tom.

"It must be nice to get such a round of
applause," said Mab.

"He deserves it."

"We shall see."

Geoff had the over: the first ball nearly
bowled him.

"What a shave!" gasped Tom, and Mab
caught her breath.

Ball number two just missed the bats.

"He'll get out," growled Tom.

"Oh, I hope not," said Mab.

Then came a change. Geoff was not
nervous, he was angry. He set his teeth
and sent the third ball of the over with a
clean cut to the ropes. A cheer greeted his
beautiful stroke. The fourth ball he block-
ed, the fifth he played carefully. The last
ball of the over he cut again for four, amid
another round of applause.

"I thought you'd clap, Mab," said Tom,
roughly.

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CHAPTER III.

Geoff played fine cricket, but had the
misfortune to be out, a wonderful catch com-
ing off in the laps, when he had scored fifty.
On the third day of the match Tom and his
sister were again present. To the Australians'
score of 304, the Englishmen responded
with 345. In their second innings, the
Australians had had luck; they were all out
for 201, of which number Geoff made 80
by magnificent batting. With 173 to win,
the English team appeared to have the game
in hand; it was a small score for a strong
batting combination to clear off. They had
half-an-hour's batting before luncheon, when
two good wickets fell. This raised the hopes
of the Australians.

"We must win this match at all costs,"
said Abel.

"It's a stiff job," said Geoff. "If we can't
get them out, we must have all the runs pos-
sible; it is on the cards it may be a draw."

Geoff was feeling close by the stand in
which Mab and her brother were seated, and
she had an opportunity of scrutinising him
closely. She thought him good-looking, ad-
mired his build, his curly hair, and once or
twice, as he turned round, she caught his eye.

The Australians strained every nerve;
their fielding was superb; they were dead on
the ball—four after four was saved by their
brilliant efforts. The bowling had never been
quite so good. When half the wickets were
down for a hundred, things became exciting.

Geoff earned round after round of applause,
as he picked the ball up quickly, and, with
almost the same movement of his arm, sent
it into the wicket with unerring aim. He
was a good shot and his opportunity came at
last.

The English captain, who had batted care-
fully for over two and a half hours, hit a
ball hard towards the Pavilion. Geoff ran
fast, picked it up, waited a moment, and the
batsman went for another run. Geoff took
deadly aim at the wicket at the Stand end,
the ball seemed to flash through the air as
though fired out of a gun. The captain saw
his danger when two late; he threw himself
down full length, but his bat failed to reach
the crease. Geoff's deadly aim settled the
matter; the ball knocked the stumps wide
apart, the middle one flying out of the
ground, and as the batsman walked to the
Pavilion the applause was deafening.

"That shot may win us the match," said
Abel; "we shall have to save every run."

The afternoon wore on; the home team
scored slowly but surely, and a quarter of
an hour before stumps were to be drawn,
they only required ten runs to win.

Mab was greatly excited; strange to say
her sympathies were with the Australians.
Tom was more patriotic; he hoped the Eng-
lishmen would win.

"If Geoff Lovett was not in the team,
you'd be on the other side," he said.

"Nonsense! that makes no difference,"
answered Mab. "They have bowled and
fielded so well, they deserve to win."

The last man was in, and his abilities as
a batsman were limited. Bell was a fair bat,
and Daunt, the last comer, intended keeping
up his wicket if possible while his partner
made the runs. The enormous crowd was
strung to the highest pitch of excitement.

Eight runs required to win! Bell was a big
batter, and it was not at all improbable he
might get two fours. His drives were some-
thing to remember, and he had already
landed two balls over the rails on to the
members' seats.

Geoff was posted specially to look after
him, and watched every movement eagerly.

"If only he'd hit one up, I'd hold it, I'm
sure of it," he muttered.

Daunt had a narrow escape; the ball was
only a hair's breadth from the bats, and the
great crowd gave an audible sigh of relief,
then all was silent—thirty thousand people
as still as mice—hardly the rustle of a news-

paper could be heard. Four runs were re-
quired to win, and Bell had the bowling.

"They'll win now," said Tom excitedly.

"I don't think so," said Mab, in a low
voice.

(To be Continued.)

**WHEN LIFE SEEMED
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SHANGHAI	"E. P. Martin, R.N.R."	4th Jan.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, USUAL PORTS	"W. E. Hickey, R.N.R."	6th Jan.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON, ANTWERP, VIA SUEZ, PEKING, NANG, CHINA, PORT SAID, MARSEILLES	"Capt. R. A. Futers, R.N.R."	About 10th Jan.	Freight and Passage.

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Hongkong, December, 1911.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HAIPHONG, SHANGHAI, WEIHAIWEI, MANILA, AND ILOO	"SUNGKIANG"	On 30th Dec., 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, MANILA, AND ILOO	"SHANSHI"	On 31st Dec., 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, MANILA, AND ILOO	"KUEICHOW"	On 2nd Jan., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MANILA, AND ILOO	"CHINCHUA"	On 4th Jan., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MANILA, AND ILOO	"SHINGAN"	On 6th Jan., 10 A.M.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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SHANGHAI, MANILA, AND ILOO	"MAUSANG"	Sunday, 31st Dec., 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, MANILA, AND ILOO	"CHOYSANG"	Tuesday, 2nd Jan., 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, MANILA, AND ILOO	"WINGSANG"	Saturday, 6th Jan., 2 P.M.
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CHIYO MARU	21,000	W. W. Greene	FRIDAY, 16th Feb., at Noon.
NIPPON MARU	11,000	A. G. Stevens	FRIDAY, 8th March, at Noon.
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SUMATRA	5000	April 17	May 31
NAMUR	7000	May 1	June 14
PALAWAN	5000	May 15	June 29
BOERNE	5000	May 29	July 13
SYRIA	7000	June 12	July 27
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AWA MARU Capt. T. Iizawa, 7,000 {TUESDAY, 30th Jan., at Noon.

SADO MARU Capt. Richards, 7,000 {SATURDAY, 27th Jan., from Kona.

KUMANO MARU Capt. M. Winkler, 6,000 {FRIDAY, 19th Jan., at Noon.

YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sekine, 5,000 {FRIDAY, 16th Feb., at Noon.

COLOMBO MARU Capt. J. Teranaka, 5,000 {SATURDAY, 13th Jan.

TANGO MARU Capt. K. Kawara, 7,000 {THURSDAY, 4th Jan., A.M.

YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sekine, 5,000 {WEDNESDAY, 17th Jan., at Noon.

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In the event of the arrival of the French Mail from Europe the Post Office will be open
one hour for the delivery thereof.

There will be one delivery and one collection of letters as on Sunday.
The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

The *Pravda*, with the Siberian Mail, is due to arrive here to-day.

The *Della*, with the English Mail, has been delayed since leaving Colombo, and is not
expected to arrive here before Friday next.

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FOR	PER	DATE
Korror, Yap, Ulai, Salpa, Trak, Pompo, Kusala, Jaluit, Nauru, Rabaul and Sydney Hohow and Haploog (Taking Mails for Pakehoi)	Germania	Saturday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Sungkiang	Saturday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Mosco	Loongang	Saturday, 30th, 1.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Sui Tai	Saturday, 30th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	Lightning	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Saigon	Trubi	Saturday, 30th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Angaur, Yap, Friedrich, Wilhelmsafen, Rabaul, Herbertshafen, Ma- tupi, Samara, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Mel- bourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle Wellington and Chefoo	Prima Sigismund	Saturday, 30th, 4.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Shansi	Saturday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE	Lituan	Saturday, 30th, 5.00 P.M. Letters 6.00 P.M.
Jessellton, and Sandakan	Mausang	Sunday, 31st, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	Daiqi Maru	Sunday, 31st, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow	Haiyang	Sunday, 31st, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagoi, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Seattle	Choyang	Monday, 1st, 9.00 A.M.
	Tamba Maru	Tuesday, 2nd, 10.00 A.M.
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		Thursday, 4th, 3.00 P.M.
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